

Appl. No. 09/891,976; filed 6/26/01
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Amdt. dated July 15, 2004

REMARKS

By amendment above, applicants are correcting the priority claim and updating the status of the applications to which priority is claimed.

The application as originally filed made reference on page 2 under "Related Applications" to two earlier filed U.S. applications (see Appendix A). More particularly, page 2 of the specification stated that the current application is a "continuation-in-part of application serial number 09/797,334, filed March 1, 2001, which is, in turn, continuation-in-part of application serial number 09/097,198 filed June 2, 1998, the disclosures of which are fully incorporated herein by reference." A copy of the filing receipt for the subject application is also enclosed as Appendix B.

By amendment hereinabove, we have eliminated the incorrect priority claim to Application No. 09/097,198, filed June 2, 1998, which has no inventors in common with the subject application. We have also updated the status of Application No. 09/797,334 to indicate its "abandoned" status.

If any extension of time fee is deemed necessary to preserve the pendency of the subject application, authorization is hereby given to charge any such fee to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

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